

### **REMARKS**

Claims 2-8, 11-22, 24-47, and 54-55 and 58-63 remain pending. Claims 1, 9-10, 23, and 48-53 were canceled by previous amendments. Claims 56-57 were mis-numbered as claims 58-59, respectively, and have been canceled. New claims 62 and 63 have been added. Claims 2, 16, 20, 25, 31, 36, 42, and 54-55 have been amended.

Applicants incorporate herein by reference the Remarks filed in their Response to Final Office Action, that was filed on February 28, 2006.

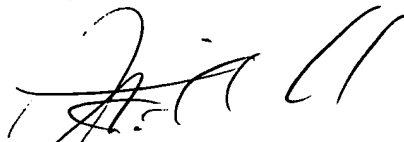
It is believed that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, and favorable action toward that end is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to the extent there are any matters which may be resolved or clarified.

### **CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

A check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed, which includes the fee for the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the additional claims. No additional fees are believed to be due. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees required (except for payment of the issue fee) from or to credit any overpayment to Jenkins & Gilchrist, P.C. Deposit Account No. 10-0447, Order No. 47161-00018USPT.

Respectfully submitted,



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